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**Case or Bag for Applying Poultices.**

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**LETTERS PATENT** to John Broad, of Hornsey Rise, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, Chemist, for the Invention of “**AN IMPROVED CASE OR BAG FOR APPLYING POULTICES AND OTHER EXTERNAL APPLICATIONS TO VARIOUS PARTS OF THE HUMAN BODY.**”

Sealed the 27th June 1873, and dated the 12th February 1873.

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**PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION** left by the said John Broad at the Office of the Commissioners of Patents, with his Petition, on the 12th February 1873.

I, JOHN BROAD, of Hornsey Rise, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, Chemist, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for “**AN IMPROVED CASE OR BAG FOR APPLYING POULTICES AND OTHER EXTERNAL APPLICATIONS TO VARIOUS PARTS OF THE HUMAN BODY,**” to be as follows :—

The Invention consists of a case or bag composed of waterproof cloth or other similar material on the one side or back, and a muslin, lawn, or other similar fabric on the other or front side, the object being that a poultice may be introduced into the bag or case and applied to the body,



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the muslin or lawn being next thereto, the waterproof back preventing any leakage or evaporation, it being cleanly and expeditious in application and can be arranged to the exact size required.

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**SPECIFICATION** in pursuance of the conditions of the Letters Patent, filed by the said John Broad in the Great Seal Patent Office on 5 the 21st July 1873.

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, JOHN BROAD**, of Hornsey Rise, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, Chemist, send greeting.

**WHEREAS** Her most Excellent Majesty Queen Victoria, by Her Letters Patent, bearing date the Twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, in the thirty-sixth year of Her reign, did, for Herself, Her heirs and successors, give and grant unto me, the said John Broad, Her special licence that I, the said John Broad, my executors, administrators, and assigns, or such others as I, the said John Broad, my executors, administrators, and assigns, should at any time agree with, and no others, from time to time and at all times thereafter, during the term therein expressed, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend, within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, an Invention for "**AN IMPROVED CASE OR BAG FOR APPLYING POULTICES AND OTHER EXTERNAL APPLIANCES TO VARIOUS PARTS OF THE HUMAN BODY**," upon the condition (amongst others) that I, the said John Broad, my executors or administrators, by an instrument in writing under my, or their, or one of their hands and seals, should particularly describe and ascertain the nature of the said Invention, and in what manner the same was to be performed, and cause the same to be filed in the Great Seal Patent Office within six calendar months next and immediately after the date of the said Letters Patent.

**NOW KNOW YE**, that I, the said John Broad, do hereby declare the nature of my said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

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This Invention consists of a case or bag composed of waterproof cloth on the one side or back, and a muslin or lawn fabric on the other side or front, the object being that a poultice or other wet applications may be introduced and applied to various parts of the body, the muslin being  
5 next thereto, the waterproof back retaining the moisture and warmth, also lessening the weight, as only half the quantity of poultice is necessary.

The advantages of the waterproof case are these:—It is complete in itself, no muslin or oil'd silk being required, its readiness for use and  
10 exactness in size; it will retain the warmth and moisture and can be worn without staining the linen. Two or three strips of strapping plaister will be found useful, answering the double purpose of closing the end and fixing the case in the position required. Linseed, bread, or mustard poultice should be put into the case, then placed on a hot plate  
15 (waterproof upwards) and pressed with the hand to uniform thickness. For wet applications of all kinds the lint or thick flannel should be placed in the case first and then wetted; these cases can be used many times and are made in all sizes.

Having thus described the nature and object of my said Invention,  
20 and the manner in which the same is to be carried into effect, I declare that what I claim and desire to be secured to me by the herein-before in part recited Letters Patent is, the improved case or bag for applying poultices and other external applications to various parts of the human body, substantially as herein-before described, or any simple modification  
25 thereof.

In witness whereof, I, the said John Broad, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this Eighteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

JOHN BROAD. (L.S.)

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